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Dear Mr Pierce

Implementation timetable for metering rule change

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the implementation timetable for the Australian Energy Market Commission's (AEMC) competition in metering and related services rule change and associated work by AEMO and the AER to implement the rule change.

ActewAGL Distribution generally supports the AEMC's proposed approach. However, consistent with the Energy Networks Association's submission, ActewAGL Distribution considers that due to the fundamental nature, size and complexity of the rule change additional time should be provided for stakeholders to respond to the draft determination and for the AEMC to consider these submissions.

ActewAGL Distribution also notes that the time required to ensure compliance with the AER's proposed new ring-fencing guideline cannot be estimated until the guideline is finalised.

Please contact Usman Saadat, Manager Regulatory Affairs, on (02) 6248 3806 if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely



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